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SUBJECT: ISRAELI USE OF YARMUK RIVER WATER

1. THE DECEMBER 6 MAARIV REPORTED THAT A IL 25 MILLION PLANT FOR TRANSFERRING WATER FROM THE YARMUK RIVER AND FLOODWATERS FROM THE NAHARAYIM RESERVOIR IS NOW AT AN ADVANCED STAGE. THE PROJECT WILL SERVE TO ANNUALLY TRANSFER 30-40 MILLION CUBIC METERS OF WATER DURING THE FOUR WINTER MONTHS (DECEMBER-MARCH) INTO THE SEA OF GALILEE VIA THE KINNERET-BEIT SHEAN 48-INCH PIPELINE. THIS PIPELINE TODAY SUPPLIES WATER DURING THE EIGHT SUMMEER MONTHS FROM THE SEA OF GALILEE TO THE SOUTH OF THE JORDAN VALLEY AND THE SETTLEMENTS OF THE BEIT SHEAN RIFT. THE PROJECT IS TO BE COMPLETED IN MARCH 1977, BUT WILL OPERATE ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS UNTIL FULL OPERATION BEGINS IN DECEMBER 1977.

2. THE PROJECT REPORTEDLY WILL INCLUDE: (A) A PUMPING STATION NEAR THE NAHARAYIM RESERVOIR FOR PUMPING YARMUK RIVER AND FLOODWATER TO THE BIG PIPE; (B) A SIPHON PIPE TO INSERT WATER INTO THE SEA OF GALILEE; AND (C) A 16-INCH PIPE (PARALLEL TO THE KINNERET-BEIT SHEAN PIPELINE) TO SUPPLY SEA OF GALILEE WATER TO ALL JORDAN VALLEY SETTLEMENTS.  
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